EDC Tasks and Follow-Up Action Items.

Task #1 Socio-Economic Indictors Study/On-line Business Survey

Follow Up Action Items

- 1. Presentation at Business Luncheon.
- 2. Expanded study to include detailed Valdez Business Survey.
- 3. Findings from both studies were used to place a high priority on housing issues and senior services.
- 4. Use select key indicators from data for future tracking of Valdez socio-economic changes.
- 5. Worked with city's efforts to address housing matters (Please Note: The housing challenges in Valdez has been identified in nearly every meeting, focus group, and all types of surveys in the last two years).

Task #2. Valdez Visitor's Statistics Study

Follow Up Action Items

- 1. Presentation at Business Luncheon.
- 2. Data is being used by VCVB to change marketing strategy including booking and tracking approaches. The report confirms the changing make-up of visitors.
- 4. Data will be used with CoV on advancement of Community Branding Project.

Task #3 Year Round Mountain Recreation Site Study

Follow Up Action Items

- 1. Presentation at Business Luncheon.
- 2. EDC staff has tentatively set up a meeting with AIEDA staff and two of the project champions.
- 3. Use data directly and indirectly with the development of Valdez training platform materials and winter visitor industry.

Task #4 Survey of Visitor Service Quality matters with Tour Operators and Business Focus Groups

Follow Up Action Items

- 1. Direct contact with select visitor industry representatives.
- 2. Continued efforts to work with the Fairbanks ADA advocacy group along with local efforts in address public access issues.

Task #5 Evaluation Business Training and Assistance Program Options

Follow Up Action Items

- 1. Per Council approval, UAA/BDC-SBA will provide a series of business training classes in Valdez over a 12 month period starting in winter, 2017.
- 2. EDC staff will work with UAA/BDC-SBA on class evaluations and long term relevance and efficiency evaluation.
- 3. Work with UAA/BDC-SBA and other on future relevant training for key new and old as well as large and small businesses in Valdez.